

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 205

By Hawk

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Bob and Eldean Helle on the celebration of their sixtieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on April 5, 1953, Bob and Eldean Helle were joined in holy matrimony at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Paulding, Ohio, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Helle were high school sweethearts and married right out of high school; they moved to Greeneville, Tennessee, in 1971; and

WHEREAS, Bob Helle served with acumen and alacrity as a Senior Systems Analyst at Philips Consumer Electronics Company, retiring after thirty years of service; and

WHEREAS, Eldean Helle served estimably as a Charge Registered Nurse with Fresenius Dialysis Center, the position from which she retired after seventeen years of service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Helle have been highly respected citizens of Greene County for many years; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, they are avid fans of the Atlanta Braves, and the University of Tennessee Volunteers and Lady Volunteers; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced four children, Robert "Butch" (Sue) Helle, David Helle, Michael (Libby) Helle, and Julie Payne, nine grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, for sixty years, this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Helles' are truly the foundation upon which our society is built and serve as a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Bob and Eldean Helle on the celebration of their sixtieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.